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Spring is here! There are more, longer sunny days filled with the excitement and urge to do more things — garden, stitch, walk, stitch, travel, stitch...

And, with the all that stitching, there are bound to be things that aren't finished. Thelp you accomplish the final steps, be sure to attend the chapter meetings as finishing techniques and embellishments will be covered in several programs. Additional ideas can be found in the chapter library's books, magazines, and videos. Then all of your finally finished projects can be part of an upcoming library exhibit (being organized by Jo Cyborski) and the exciting first-ever needlework show *A Walk Through the Glen* in October 1999 (being organized by Rita Pawlowicz). By supporting them in their efforts, you are supporting and promoting the Waterfall Glen chapter.

The chapter has a number of promotional pieces to introduce Waterfall Glen to others and invite them to join. Invitations to the needlework show are available. Are there people/groups/shops you would like to share these with? Please let us know Speaking of promotion, EGA (national) is featured in the May issue of the publication *Stitcher's World* (formerly the *Stitchery Magazine*). Our chapter's Girl Scout project is still scheduled for *Needle Arts* later this year. And, EGA is trying to get a postage stamp for EGA in the year 2008!

Now it's back to stitching, gardening, stitching . . . and, of course, chapter meetings!

Carol D. Todal

Show Theme Selected!

by Rita Pawlowicz

The show Set-up Committee met at the Willow Springs Village Hall to view the facility and envision our layout. With our theme of *A Walk Through the Glen*, we thought it would be nice to have a number of trees... silk and Christmas (undecorated), to give the illusion of an outdoor setting.

We are planning to have "earth music" playing on several CD players around the room, with sounds such as rain falling, thunderstorms, waterfalls (how appropriate!), and birds. Susan Strasser has a collection of CD's that we can use. However, we do have a number of items that we will need. If you can donate or loan any of them to our exhibit (don't bring them, just reply for now), please let me know.

Exhibit Wish List

New, twin-sized flat sheets in white (for the chapter to keep)

Solid tablecloths (for borrowing or keeping)

Clean birdbath (to borrow)

Park bench (to borrow)

Other outdoor park-like items—your sugges tions welcome!

Silk trees (to borrow)

Christmas trees (to borrow)

CD boomboxes (to borrow)

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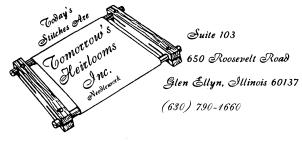
January April July October If you will be loaning us your Christmas tree (any size), we will ask you to come and set it up the Friday before the exhibit, and take it down and take it home on Sunday after 4 p.m. Our set-up committee cannot set up a lot of trees. Any items you are loaning us MUST have your name firmly attached to the item. ALL ITEMS MUST LEAVE THE VILLAGE HALL ON SUNDAY EVENING!!

The hours of the exhibit are Saturday, October 23 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Set up will be Friday, October 22. I will check with the village hall to see how early we can get into the facility.

Applications to submit your needlework for the show will be coming in the mail soon. Since this is our first exhibit, we have decided for now to not limit submissions. We ask that every member exhibit at least three items and three ornaments. Plus, if you have finished items from chapter programs, friendship exchanges, or correspondence courses, we would like those, too. Framed items MUST have wire hangers in the back.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or questions, please feel free to contact Rita Pawlowicz at (708) 839-0848 /home, or (708) 839-1200 /work: Mon-Thu 9-3; Fri 9-1, or Susan Strasser at (630) 443-9694 /home or (630) 252-5981 /work. Or via e-mail! Thanks so much!

Rita and Susan



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April Meeting Supplies Reminder

DON'T FORGET! Meeting location is Argonne's Building 202!



Please remember to bring the basic supplies listed below to *Tassel Making......Plain to Fancy*, the cost-free workshop being offered to chapter members April 13, 1999. All instructions and some supplies will be provided to make at least three different tassels!

TO BRING: tape measure, old expired credit card, needles of varying sizes (sharps and tapestry) for large and small fibers, beading needle, seed beads [any size(s) and color(s)], pearl cottons and/or flosses and/or metallic fibers [any size(s) and color(s)] (some fibers will be provided), scissors, and a pencil or pen.

Feedback from Fall 1998 Issue Questions

Thanks to Carol Schaal for her tips and insights on these questions:

Linen—a right and wrong side?

Carol uses the amount of slubs (small "lumps" in the linen fibers) to choose the side of the linen she'll stitch on, putting slubs to the back side.

Floss and other threads—are they directional?

When Carol is using fibers that come on a card or in a ball, she threads her needle before cutting the length, thus using the thread as the manufacturer intended and using the fiber in the same direction each time. Threads that come in skeins or hanks are cut to the desired length and separated for correct number of plies. Carol then runs the thread through her finger tips—usually one direction feels smoother than the other. Carol then threads her needle so that the smooth direction is how the thread travels through her ground fabric (less snagging).

Carol added that fibers that have a sheen (silks, rayons, pearl cottons, and wool/silk blends) should be used in a consistent direction throughout a project to create a unified appearance in the way light plays off of the fibers in the finished work.

Waterfall Glen is a chapter of The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at Argonne National Laboratory's APS Conference Center. Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

Visit the chapter Web site for further information at

http://www.hep.anl.gov/Theory/ega/wg_home.html

Stitchers of all skill levels are welcome to join!

The Great Lakes Regional Seminar

by Carol Todd

Diane Tarkowski will the be the chapter representative at the business meeting portion of the regional seminar titled *Silver Threads - Golden Friendships* in Ohio, April 25, 1999. There is still time for any inter ested chapter members to register for the seminar. Booklets describing the classes and costs are available. Contact Diane or Carol Todd if you are interested in attending.

Region Director Mary Jo Prieve is looking for input on attendance and scheduling of the seminar. Currentlythe seminar is held annually and nationally known designers and teachers present the classes. Unfortunately, attendance has been slowly declining. Some of the states within the Great Lakes Region have State Days or Stitch-Ins. In recent years, Illinois has not held such an organized event. If you have any thoughts or ideas that could be offered as input on these subjects at the meeting, please forward them to Diane or Carol before April 23.

Stitcher's World Subscription

This stitching magazine is available for purchase at some newsstands. If you are interested in subscribing, *Stitcher's World* offers \$1 off the regular subscription price to EGA members! Provide your name, address, EGA affiliation, and membership number when subscribing.

Calendar

April 24-30, 1999

Great Lakes Regional Seminar Silver Threads - Golden Friendships, held at the Hilton West, Fairlawn, OH Contact: Kathie Bunts. 330-630-3692

September 24-25, 1999

Great Lakes Regional Board Meeting/ Business Meeting, held at the Ramada Inn, Elkhart, IN

October 10-16, 1999

National Seminar '99, hosted by the New England Region at the Tara's Ferncroft Conference Resort in Danvers, MA

State Days

July 31, 1999

Michigan - Radison Plaza, Kalamazoo, MI

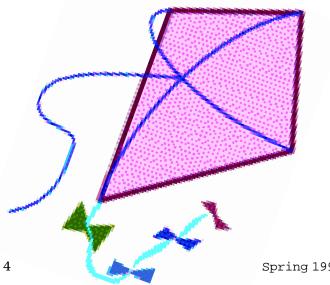
September 11, 1999

Ohio - Nazareth Hall, Grand Rapids, OH Contact: Caren Scarbrough, 419-278-2162

October 30, 1999

<u>Indiana</u> - The Leland Clarion Hotel, Richmond, IN

Contact: Doris Leventhal, 765-962-8497



This used to be a Free Chart!



Mystery Sampler Update

by Susan Strasser

Have you been looking at the Mystery Samplers each month at "Show and Tell" and wishing you'd started one? Well, it's not too late! Here's why:

- 1. Complete instructions are available for all bands. In fact, many of the stitch diagrams and some of the master charts have been recharted by Rita Pawlowicz (using her new super snazzy charting program). YOU could be the first to try them out!
- 2. The time it takes to stitch each band is generally only an evening or two. (Well, that is for *almost* all of the bands....)
- 3. You could display your finished sampler with all the others at our October chapter exhibit!
- 4. And best of all, you almost know what the finished sampler will look like since there are only two bands left!

So, why not pick up a "Mystery Sampler Chart Bundle" on April 13 and join the mystery stitchers for the final two bands (which is even better than the "final four"—can you tell when I'm writing this?!)

"Matyo Rose Pin" Class Supplies List

If you wish to participate in the July project, the Matyo Rose Pin, an original design by Waterfall Glen member Eve Kovacs, gather the following supplies in your favorite colors:

Fabric your choice of 28 - 32 count linen, 5" x 5" square piece

Marlitt 1.5 yds. (floss may be substituted)

Watercolours 3 yds. Tapestry needle size 24

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Practice cloth scrap of linen for bullion stitch exercise

Practice fiber pearl cotton # 5, 1 yd.

The finishing portion of the project will be done at the September meeting. Plan to participate -- You definitely don't want to miss Eve's terrific teaching and design!

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Upcoming Guild Programs

APRIL 13, 1999

TEACHERS: Carol Todd

PROJECT: Beyond the Basics (Part 1): Tassel Making...Plain to Fancy

Bring: Kit supplied by Waterfall Glen Chapter, see page 3 of this newsletter

MAY 11, 1999

TEACHERS: Susan Strasser and Connie Pittroff

PROJECT: Back to Basics: Ornament Finishing Demo (three different techniques

will be shown!)

Bring: Any favorite finished ornaments to show

JUNE 8, 1999

TEACHERS: Susan Strasser

PROJECT: Rainbow Pocket (small canvas case for needlework tools)

BRING: Kits available--complete the coupon below and submit with kit cost

JULY 13, 1999

TEACHERS: Eve Kovacs
PROJECT: Matyo Rose Pin

Bring: See project supplies list on page 7 of this newsletter

1999 Dates for Shop-and-Share

MAY 3-5, 1999 Dominicks (First Communions, College Graduations)

OCTOBER 25-27, 1999 Jewel (Halloween)

NOVEMBER 15-17, 1999 Dominicks (Thanksgiving)

DECEMBER 13-15, 1999 Jewel (Christmas and Holiday Parties)

Sign-up Coupon for "Rainbow Pocket"

Sign me up to make the canvas "Rainbow Pocket." Stitched on 18-count mono canvas, this project will be taught by Susan Strasser on Tuesday, June 8, 1999. Kit cost is \$7.00.

Sign ups due by May 11--You must

pay for kit to be officially registered.

Hand or mail in with payment to

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